

Eastern Illinois University

The Keep

The Post Amerikan (1972-2004)

The Post Amerikan Project

6-1974

Volume 3, Number 3

Post Amerikan

Follow this and additional works at: https://thekeep.eiu.edu/post_amerikan



Part of the [Gender, Race, Sexuality, and Ethnicity in Communication Commons](#), [Journalism Studies Commons](#), [Publishing Commons](#), and the [Social Influence and Political Communication Commons](#)

•Local Police Chiefs Talk on Rape
•Legislature Reports on I.S.U. Mansion

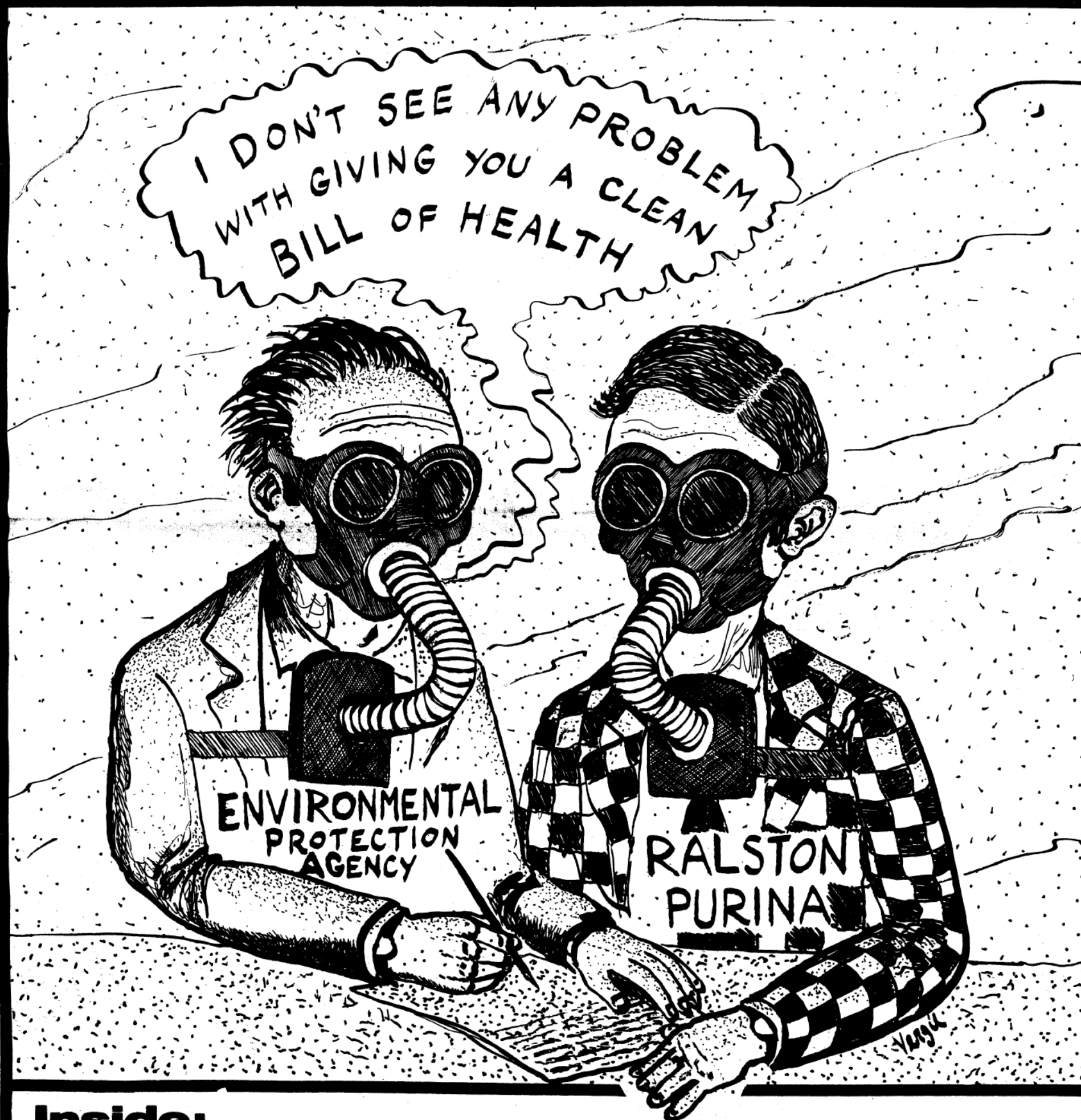
Bloomington Normal

15¢

POST AMERIKAN

JUNE 1974

Vol. 3 No. 3



Inside:

16 yr. old police victim

More on the county jail

BULK RATE
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
NORMAL, ILL.
61761

reprinted from Adam's Apple Comix



TABLE of CONTENTS

Police Brutality and County Jail.	3
Phony and Real Food.	4
Krueger and Schneider Revisited.	5
ISU President's House.	6 & 7
Sewing.	8
People Events and Prison Reform.	9
Rape Crisis Center.	10-12
Birth Control: Warning.	13
People Food News.	14
Calling all Men.	15
Dear Mr. President and Poemz.	16
News Briefs.	17 & 18
Three Marias Acquitted.	19
Back cover.	20

dedication

This issue is dedicated to the memory of Bill Wantling. Bill contributed poems and encouragement to individual Post staff members at different times in our sometimes shaky growth. His absence is felt.

about the cover

In April 1973 the State Environmental Protection Agency found Bloomington's RALSTON PURINA plant guilty of non-compliance on pollution control standards and levied a \$7500 fine and instructed RP to clean up its operations. Now, in response to new complaints from the McLean County Economic Opportunity Corporation (Feb. 20 1974) that RP's pollution continues, EPA sent an investigator, John Shum, to check on RP pollution. He dropped into Sunnyside Neighborhood Center one morning and asked 13 Sunnyside residents who happened to come in if they had any complaints. Only one said she did. On the basis of this superficial investigation, Shum turned in a report saying that RP's pollution was not causing a hassle in Sunnyside. He must have been wearing his noseplugs, for the pollution continues. Where is EPA coming from? Someplace else from where they've been?

POST SELLERS

BLOOMINGTON

The Joint, 415 N. Main
DA's Liquors, Oakland and Main
Medusa's Book Store, 109 W. Front
Illinois Wesleyan Union

News Nook, 402½ N. Main
Book Hive, 103 W. Front
Cake Box, 511 S. Denver
Gaston's Barber Shop, 202½ N. Center
U-I Food Mart, 608 S. Lee
Peifers Market, 919 N. Madison
De Vary's Market, 1402 W. Market
Harris Market, Morris
Hickory Pit, 920 W. Washington
Eastgate IGA, Mercer and Oakland
Playback, Colonial Plaza
Don's Bi-Rite, 203 E. Locust
Biasis's, 217 N. Main
Discount Den, 207 N. Main
Hot Rod Shop, 622 N. Main

NORMAL

The Cage, ISU Union
Lobby Shop, ISU Union
Newman Center, 501 S. Main
Student Stores, 115 North
Mother Murphy's, 111½ North
Caboose Records, 101 North
Ram, 101 Broadway Mall
Al's Pipe Shop, 101 Broadway Mall
Omega, 111 Beaufort
The Rack, 106 Beaufort
Hendren's Grocery, 301 W. Willow
The Post-Amerikan office, 108 E. Beaufort

about us

Here's the streamlined Post-Amerikan rap we promised.

mail

Mail, which we more than welcome, should be mailed to: The Post-Amerikan, 108 E. Beaufort, Normal, Illinois 61761.

staff

Anybody can be a member of the Post staff except maybe Sheriff King. All you have to do is come to the meetings and do one of the many different and exciting tasks necessary for the smooth operating of a paper like this. None of us get paid; we're only in it for the ego gratification.

Decisions are made collectively by staff members at one of our regular meetings. All workers have an equal voice. The Post-Amerikan has no editor or hierarchical structure.

articles

Anybody who reads this paper can tell the type of stuff we print. All worthwhile material is welcome. The only real exception is racist and sexist material which we will vehemently not print.

Most of our material or inspiration for material comes from the community. We encourage you the reader to become more than a reader. We welcome all stories or tips for stories. Bring stuff to a meeting (the schedule is printed below) or mail it to our office.

meetings

Meetings for planning the next issue are on:

June 19, Wednesday, 8 pm,

June 25, Tuesday, 5 pm,

June 28, Friday, (deadline for stories), 8 pm.

They will be held at the Post office: 108 E. Beaufort, Normal, Illinois.

subscriptions

Subscriptions cost \$1.75 for twelve issues, \$3.50 for twenty-four issues, etc. Buy one for yourself and a friend.

hawking

You can make bread hawking the Post--7½¢ a copy, on every paper after the first 50 sold; 5¢ a copy on the first 50 papers. Call 452-9221 or stop by the office.

fone

Our phone number is 452-9221.

16 Year Old Woman Victimized by Police

On May 20, Bloomington City Police, in total disregard for the rights of a minor, found a perfect occasion to demonstrate their crime-fighting abilities.

That night, sixteen-year-old Robin Archer, hoping to spend some time with her sister and her sister's husband, paid the one dollar cover charge at the Red Lion Inn and was admitted into the establishment. The Red Lion's proprietor, Bob Graham, was responsible at that time for I.D. checks, and although Robin's I.D. clearly indicated that she was sixteen, Graham issued her a Red Lion pass for the night.

According to Robin, she went outside for a breath of air, and was spied returning inside by Bloomington Police officer Bruce Bauer. Bauer apparently circled around the block, called in reinforcements, and followed Robin into the Red Lion. Before Bauer reached Robin in the Inn, her sister and her sister's husband had indicated a desire to leave, and Robin agreed.

Then Bauer approached Robin, asked for her I.D., then asked her to come with him. Robin said, "Wait, I want to tell my sister and her husband." When Robin called, "Theresa. . .!"

Bauer grabbed her and dragged her out to the waiting squad car.

"I'm gonna knock you flat..."

Just like anyone, Robin began to struggle when being grabbed suddenly without cause. At that, Bauer leered, "I'm gonna knock you flat on your ass!" Robin continued to struggle, and at that point, five other policemen joined in the scruffle, choking Robin, inflicting bruises and other marks on her arms, and finally throwing her on top of a squad car.

Her hands were cuffed behind her back, and an unidentified plainclothesman threw her into the nearest squad car, badly bruising her leg. While she was in the squad car, another unidentified uniformed officer who was short and had a moustache kept pulling up Robin's arms against her joints and insisted on pulling and tugging on her hair. Robin asked him to cut it out, to which the officer retorted, "Well, you act like an animal-- you might as well look like an animal."

While she was at City Hall, Robin was thrown into a chair to wait for finger printing. She attempted to move a bulky purse from in back of her to avoid discomfort, and Bauer

snarled, "F__k your purse!"

Later, a detective on duty at City Hall was heard to say (in reference to the minor scratches suffered by one or two officers outside the Red Lion), "If I was there and you had scratched me, I'd have hit you, and you wouldn't get back up off the ground."

Officer Bauer apparently agreed when he asserted, "I don't give a damn who they are, I'm gonna knock 'em flat on their a__es." Later, Robin was released in the custody of her parents.

On May 23, 1974, the Pentagraph, showing the same disregard for the rights of a minor, insisted on printing Robin's name in the court records' section of the paper. Such information is supposed to be deleted from newspaper columns in the case of alleged criminal action by a minor. The Post expresses its thanks to Robin and her parents for permission to use her name in this story.

- - - - The Green Ghost

More County 'Hotel' Blues

Letter from
an ex-patron...

I'm not too good with a formal rap so, what's happenin'? I thought I'd run some of the crap Sheriff King is pulling down there in his sweet palace.

That what Billy Barker told you was only a small portion if it was just about me and him. I haven't had a chance to read the article though I'd like to. So here's some more about the king fish, and it can be proved, but like I just hope you'll print it and let people know the deal. I can't remember the dates of the incidents but it's been in the past few years.

'Raider' Strikes Again

The first time the police gave me the blues was on a clean up day in the County where you spray the cell house down with a hose only I wasn't taking part in the work. I was in my cell reading and I came down from my cell for a drink of water. Some people were messing around and throwing water on each other. So the police, "Stanley Raider," picked me out of the bunch and had me locked up, but night before getting locked up they took B. Barker to the hole for something. Then a cop by the name of Lt. Shrouder came in and I asked if I could speak to him. He asked who it was and then said go ahead so I explained what happened and said that Porky Pig had me locked up for nothing, referring to Raider. I was kind of angry at the time so they had me taken out front and Shrouder and some others gathered around me, and Shrouder beat me up against the inmates clothes drawers and drug me up the stairs. Then Raider grabbed me by the hair and asked if I'd like to call him a pig, motherf__ker or anything again. Then he put me in the stand up cell with Barker. I had blood running down the back of my head and Barker had blood running down his chin.

They came back later and put us in the black box. We stayed there a couple of weeks in the dark. The stand up cell is big enough for two small people to stand up in. The

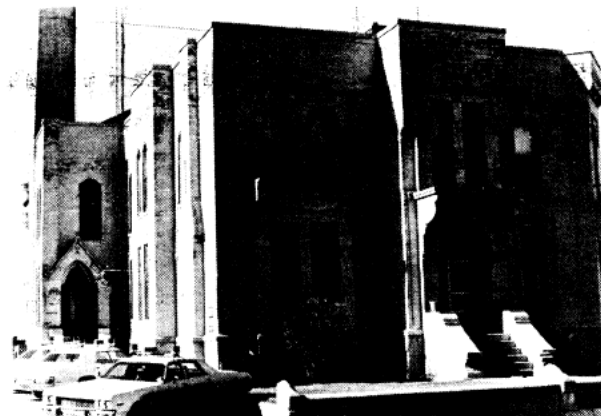
black box is about 6 feet long and and 3½ feet wide and real dark inside with no beds or toilet or any plumbing at all. That time when we asked for a bucket to pee in, (which still isn't very sanitary) they told us to go on the floor and laughed. Funny, huh. Also while we were up in the black box that time, they brought a third cat up there. I can't remember his name though but they put him in stand up and later put him in the black box with me and Barker.

After that, the same time before I got out, they put us on dead lock in our cells. There were 10 of us. Some were making noise. Some were just singing. It was night time. I guess you're not supposed to talk after they dim the lights. But while in there we had to pee and crap in a bucket and eat our meals in there with the stink.

Fresh Coffee

A time after that, I had been out and came back to jail again. They put me and Ron Montgomery in the black box for supposedly hanging a string out the window. We didn't get beat that time though but the rest was the same only after out of the black box they kept us locked up upstairs for a while in a cell and a cop named Sgt. Shrouder, a different Shrouder, then the one mentioned before, brought us our breakfast and said to me he peed in my coffee.

Then this last time I was in jail before I came here to the Joint, some of us I'll name later were put on dead lock same thing as before. They let us out 10 minutes in the morning and at night to empty our buckets. Then one night when let out for 10 minutes I jumped in the shower and took too long. The police kept yelling at me. I told them to f__k it, I was taking a shower. One jumped up to the bars and started cussing me so I said



f--k you Pig and they came and got me after we were locked up. They took me out of front where you come in the jail and I thought I was going to kop another a--kicking, but this time they just gathered around me and Sheriff King asked which one I thought was a pig. I'm not a fool so I said none of ya. Then they put me in the black box for three days and a half and put me downstairs again. After that, they started letting us out of our cells for an hour during meal times. Well, that's about it except they don't meet medical needs and to make you uncomfortable they keep the heat off most of the winter time and on in the summer.

Those people on dead lock this last time are: Loren Trunnell, Steve Uhmstattd, Jr. Hoss, George Bond, Lee Johnson, James Sims, Paul McCandless, John Rogers and me. Well, that is it, let the people know, okay.

And if ya can, send me that article you wrote about me and Barker and the rest. I'm trying for Menard Penitentiary cause there's a lot of Bloomington people there.

So later I've got time to pull, when I get where I'm going, I'll send for a subscription.

--Marty Hartley

PHONY FOOD MAKES SPEEDY KIDS



Mmmm, Mmmm,
Eat dat sugar, Kids.

(CPF) Has your kid been unable to concentrate lately? Hyperactive? Irritable? Try feeding her unprocessed, unsynthesized food for a while (if you can find it) and see what happens.

According to a San Francisco allergy specialist, chemical preservatives and colorings commonly found in processed foods could be the cause of hyperkinesia (hyperactivity) in children.

The disease itself is a vague one -- often used as a label for children who don't conform. In California, the percentage of children classified as hyperactive rose from 2% ten years ago to 25% now.

At least two million children now take Ritalin (a "behavior modifier"), tranquilizers, or amphetamines daily for this condition. The effects of the drugs are unclear, except that they usually make children quieter.

Dr. Ben Feingold, who has been experimenting with children's and adults' diets, says that as many as 80% of the children now on drugs could be taken off them if they ate only natural foods.

He added that 50 to 60% of the non-drugged hyperactive children he has studied could be returned to "normal" by going on a restrictive diet.

Feingold cited the case of one child who had been put on Ritalin when he was three and a half, and who several years later could still not calm down by himself. Two weeks after being kept away from synthetic dyes and flavorings, his behavior became normal.

A few weeks after that, however, the boy was back in a hyperactive state. It turned out that he had eaten a doughnut with synthetic coloring. He again returned to normal, but then contracted a chest cold and needed medicine. Since there are almost no medicines for children without some form of artificial flavoring or dye, in treating the cold, the child once more became uncontrollably hyperactive.

PROFIT ADDITIVES

Why are additives so all-pervasive in our food? Simple. The more additives, "the higher the potential profit-margin," writes one food trade journal.

The nation's top food, drug and chemical corporations have developed synthetic additives into a more than \$500 million a year business, churning out close to a billion pounds of them in 1970. Additives cut costs for the manufacturers: cakes that once needed eggs and butter need only tiny amounts of synthetic flavoring and coloring and emulsifier. Fruit juices no

longer need fruit. And often the price of these "convenience foods" is more, even though the cost of producing them is less.

Feingold noted that over the last ten years, the increase in the profitability of producing flavors and soft drinks parallels the increased incidence of hyperactivity and learning difficulties among school children in the U.S.

(Information from Liberation News Service)

Rich's Recipe Corner

Vegetarian Chili:

Feeds 4 Hungry Mothers!
Or 6 Normal People.

(Bear loves it!)

- 1) 1 cup pinto beans
- 2) 1 cup lentils
- 3) 2 t. spoons oregano
- 4) 1 1/2 t. spoons basil
- 5) 1 t. spoon cumin
- 6) 1 table spoon chili powder (or some equivalent seasoning)
- 7) 1 table spoon salt
- 8) any other spices that you like in chili
- 9) 2 green peppers, chopped
- 10) 2 medium onions, chopped
- 11) 4 stalks of celery, chopped
- 12) 2 or 3 cloves garlic, crushed
- 13) 1 28 oz. can tomatoes, cut up or pureed.
- 14) 1 12 oz. can tomatoe paste

Wash the beans and lentils. Soak overnight (or from morning to evening if you don't do it the night before) along with all of the spices. (ingredients (1) through (8)).

If you have a pressure cooker, just put in everything but the tomatoe paste (which makes the mixture too thick for pressure cooking) adding enough water to make it slightly soupy (use the water the beans were soaking in for sure!) Then cook at 15 lbs. for about 20 minutes. Add the tomatoe paste and any seasoning it seems to need. Then simmer for another 15 minutes. If you don't have a pressure cooker, combine everything but the onions, celery and peppers. Cook this until the beans are done (2 or 3 hours.) (It helps to keep the chili soupy when cooking this way. Otherwise the beans seem to take longer.) When the beans are about done, saute the onions, peppers and celery and add these to the chili. Simmer 15 more minutes and serve.

-- Rich Wilson
Iowa City

Lawless Leaders Still Walk Free!

Charges Expected Soon For Local Malefactors

In the continuing saga of the "Country Club Crooks," no arrests have been made as of this printing.

Bloomington city councilman S.S. "Joe" Schneider and city treasurer Paul Krueger, both violators of the same law, are expected to face charges soon.

By law, both culprits are required to disclose stockholdings of over \$5000 in "any entity doing business with" the city. Since the city of Bloomington deposits funds in the Corn Belt Bank, and since in 1973, both Schneider and Krueger owned \$10,000 and \$ 6000 worth of stock respectively, both are guilty of clear conflict of interest and lawbreaking.

Krueger chose to violate the same law again this year, thus facing a possible two charges.

A Quickie

S.S. "Joe" pulled a quickie. Realizing he was in violation of the law, Schneider transferred his stock (the \$10,000) to his daughter's name. So it looks as if "Joe" is in violation for just 1973.

Penalties for the offense is up to one year in jail and a possible \$1000 fine for the rascals.



Justice Blocked

Since the Post uncovered the incriminating evidence over a year ago, several attempts at ensuing justice have been blocked.

State's Atty, Paul Welch, who "hasn't had a vacation in 3½ years," is unwilling to prosecute the local malefactors.

Welch claims he needs an interpretation of the law from the Illinois Attorney General's office.

Welch doesn't want to make waves if he doesn't have to. That is to say, Welch won't prosecute until he has to, by word from Springfield.

(Typist's note: Would that he were so reluctant to prosecute when he isn't in danger of alienating Bloomington power people.)

On the basis of a few complaints and a shaky Supreme Court ruling, for instance, Welch this past year threatened ISU students with potential prosecution for showing X-rated movies on campus.) End of digressive note.

Perfectly Clear

In a third Post interview May 4 (ironically the same day as the murders at Kent State 4 years ago), Welch made it perfectly clear that

he has, in fact, contacted the Attorney General's office for the "necessary" interpretation.

He contended that he has contacted Springfield "more than once," but has not heard from them.

Welch is quick to point out that the Attorney General's office is generally slow when rendering opinions. Referring to past experiences, Welch put it this way: "I have had them (Atty General) refuse to give an answer."

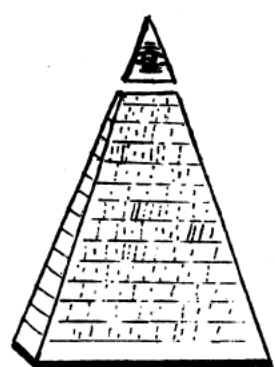
When a Post reporter questioned Welch's function in the case, Welch rejoined, "I have treated your matter with no lesser attention than anything else."

(Typist's note: Phooey!)

While Welch plays the waiting game, the Post is working on yet another course of action. So keep with us; we're almost there.



"Cautious" Paul Welch, the State's Attorney who shows concern for white collar crooks but little else.



A UNIQUE STOCK of Books & Tapes

a new arrival

THE SECRETS OF THE GREAT PYRAMID by Peter Tompkins

WHAT'S RIGHT WITH THE WORLD

by Marcus Bach

WHOLE EARTH CATALOG

Books also available on Kirlian Photography

Psychology and Self Help

Frontiers of Science Research

Plant Research Books

Health Foods and Fasting

Pyramid Energy Experimental Supplies

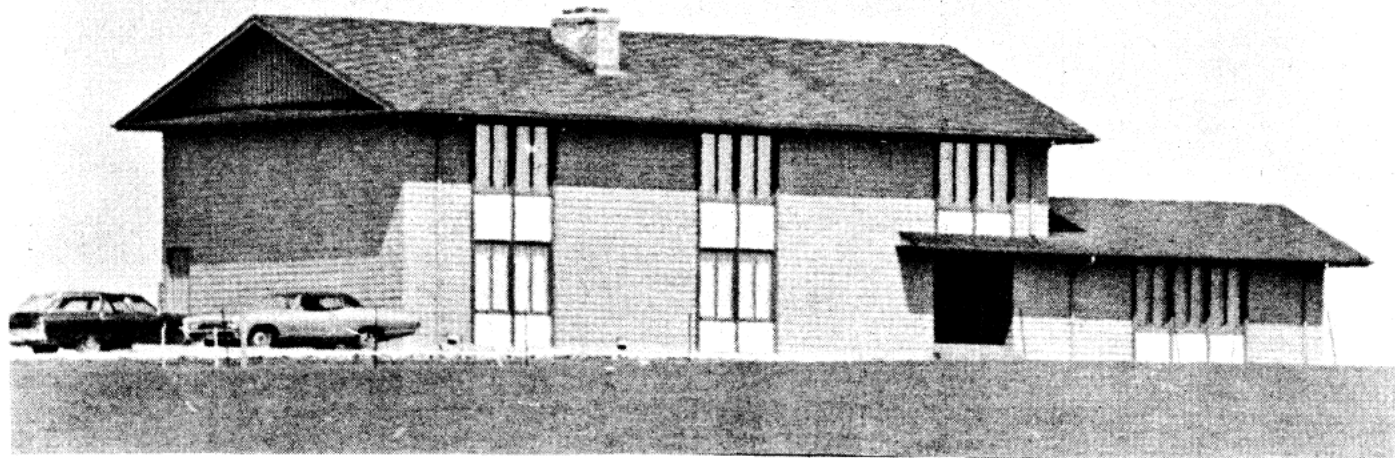
NEW AGE BOOK STORE

(a division of Motivation Development Centre)

409 A NORTH MAIN ST BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

Phone 828-4923

HOUSE REPORT REVEALS



Those familiar with last year's hubbub over ISU President David K. Berlo's residence may realize that it takes quite some time for those in the world of "proper channels" to recognize inflections of their own regulations.

But occasionally--after a passage of time-- they do.

A report dated April, 1974, entitled "Funding Irregularities in Presidential Housing at Three State Universities," and printed by the Authority of the State of Illinois, lays down the facts on the much controversial domicile.

And some of the facts were so interesting, we couldn't bear to not repeat them.

Especially since we (in the presence of one of the Post reporters who had worked on the story in this paper) are included among the "Officials

Consulted" Appendix by the Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission.

That's an honor even Pantagraph reporter Dave Haacke, who "broke" the story months after we in his paper, can't claim.

(Just trying to enhance our credibility folks!)

BERLO SCAPEGOAT?

While placing most of the blame for all the irregularities that arose in the building of the new presidential manse, the report places some of the accounting difficulties on other shoulders. For instance:

"The commission investigation has revealed that imprecise defini-

tion of key words and phrases had been blamed as the source of many of the problems connected with the buildings of the President's homes. (The report also dealt with Western and Eastern Illinois Universities.) It is apparent, however, that Illinois State University officials were in the habit of working within loose accounting standards." (Page 64, underlining ours.)

Additionally, there is enough shadiness involved in the planning prior to Berlo's arrival to keep the story interesting even after that controversial character's departure.

And since Berlo is no longer here and the University still is, it would be best to emphasize general University practices in the hope that they're no longer being followed.

CAMPUS UNREST

To begin with the very act of beginning, the plans of the house seemed fraught with drama. Early plans, begun during the reign of ISU President Samuel Braden, were mysteriously shelved in the beginning of 1969.

The reason as revealed in the report: "the political climate of the times made it inappropriate to continue with the project."

"Robert J. Lenz, attorney for the University at the time," the report states, "told the Commission that disruptions at college campuses throughout the State of Illinois, had given Illinois legislators a less than favorable impression of college administrators."

"It was the opinion of Illinois State University and the Board of Higher Education officials that building a President's home would be heavily criticized as being undeserved and unwarranted. Therefore, the project was terminated..." (Pages 65-6.)

When several Post reporters questioned Franklin Matsler, Executive Director of the Board of Regents, as to why these self-same plans had been discontinued, a different answer had been given. House plans had been too expensive, he had said, and besides Braden had resigned in the midst of them.

(Actually, Sam Braden resigned a year after the discontinuance of the house plans, but then one can't expect the Executive Director of the Board of Regents to remember everything.)

The point is that even before Berlo the Presidential House was an iffy topic, filled with questionable expense.

BERLO PARANOID TOO?

Of course, new plans for a Presidential House were begun. Contract for

Hard Times
Productions
Presents:



BLUE OYSTER
CULT

With
Special Guest

KANSAS

7:30 pm

Thursday June 20

ISU Union Auditorium

Get Tickets At:
Student Stores
Union Box Office
Crystal Ship (Decatur)

\$5 in advance
\$6 on
show day

UNIVERSITY PARANOIA

the new house to be built under the new President Berlo was executed on March 10, 1972, with proposed date of completion being the end of August of that year.

Yet by the end of that summer, with Berlo having had a full year to garner enemies on campus and the house being no where nearing completion, the spectre of Student Unrest once more reared its shrouded head.

Vice President Eric Johnson wrote to a fellow administrator at the end of August, 1972, "It is a matter of critical importance to the University that we have the President and his family located as early as possible in September."

Reason for the rush, the report says, was "President Berlo's fear that if he did not move into the home before the start of Fall semester, student protests might prevent him from ever occupying the home." (Pages 74-5.)

Rumor-mongers of the period, always into second-guessing the President's actions, had accused Berlo of this exact sort of political maneuvering. At the time, Berlo flatly denied that he was even worried about potential campus disturbance.

But then too many other rumors have proven to be distressingly true.

To Berlo's defense, of course, is the



Reprinted from an earlier issue.

evidence that others had already done it before him. It's an admittedly weak defense for Berlo, but it's good material for those into muckraking around the University.

OTHER GOOD MATERIAL

The Investigating Commission's report is full of other nuggets for those of us who like to be proven right in maintaining a suspicious or cynical view towards the workings of administrators.

For instance: "Through the use of the Illinois State University Foundation as its agent, the Board of Regents borrowed funds which were used to finance construction of the home. In doing so, the 'Regency Universities Act' was violated. The Act prohibits the Board of Regents from creating any indebtedness in excess of funds appropriated for the purpose."

(No funds had been ever appropriated by the General Assembly for a President's house at ISU. The Board of Regents was breaking the law as was the ISU Foundation.)

For another instance: "Interest income; which is the interest earned on the investment of student fees, financed a small amount of the cost of the residence."

(In effect, students were paying for a house they hadn't even requested. According to the State Finance Act, such interest is supposed to be deposited in the State Treasury, in itself a questionable practice, but certainly more understandable than its use in the building of the President's house.)

(No wonder officials were worried about potential student unrest.)

CONCLUSION?

Those interested in even more specifics--and in certain cases more egregious instances of misuse of funds in the building of ISU's colossal Presidential White Mammoth can peruse the rest of the report.

We find it significant enough for the present to consider the power and the threat that "student unrest" represented to those behind the University.

It is helpful to translate "student unrest" into "people power" and think of the threat an aware "people" poses to those who might be trying to pull a fast one so-to-speak.

It is worth considering.

PIG - BITS



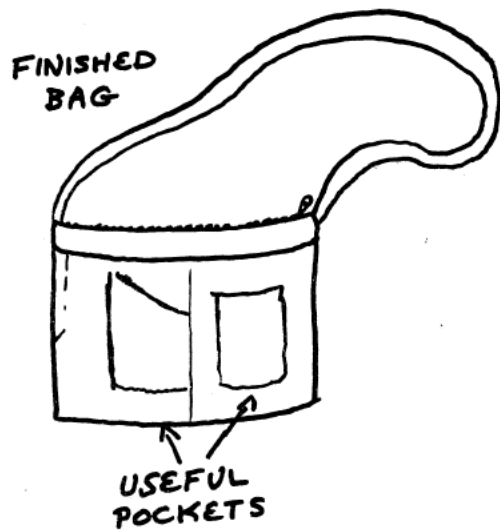
Madrid, Spain (LNS)---Thousands of students in Madrid and Barcelona clashed with police May 9 and 10. They had been holding meetings both to protest a new plan of student selection designed to keep leftists off campuses and to discuss the April coup in Portugal. According to the New York Times, on May 10, police chased hundreds of Madrid University students from the campus claiming that they were holding unauthorized meetings.

Washington (Wall Street Journal)--- Justice Potter Stewart summed it up for many businessmen, frustrated by the success of government anti-trusters in attacking corporate mergers before the Supreme Court: "The sole consistency that I can find...is that the government always wins." But things are looking better at the Supreme Court for businessmen, especially those who run acquisition-minded corporations. They are beginning to win significant skirmishes. The Burger Court already is making life harder for the department. In negotiating with antitrust officials...defense attorneys are pointing to recent court actions to help ward off prospective government lawsuits against their clients. They are telling officials that the department's chances in the Supreme Court "are smaller than they would have been," a division lawyer says.



CLOTHES MAKE THE BAG

HOW TO MAKE A GOOD CARRYING BAG FROM AN OLD PAIR OF JEANS



You need:

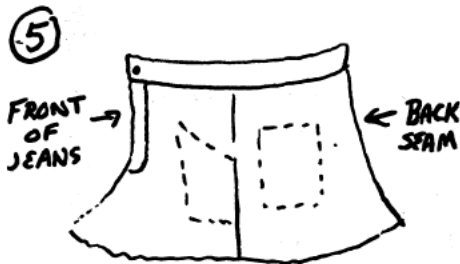
An old pair of jeans--you can get them as cheap as 25¢ at the Salvation Army,

A sewing machine with a heavy duty needle in it (ballpoint needles are good),

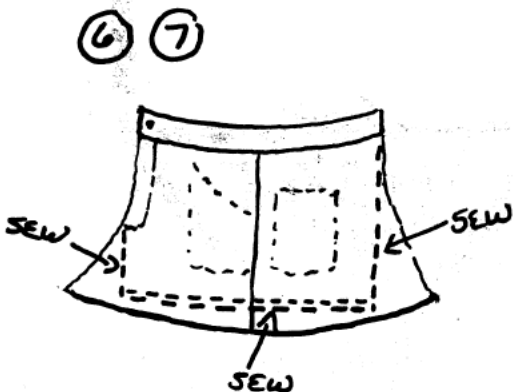
A 16" zipper--70¢ new, they have some in a box at the back of the Goodwill Store cheaper.

Directions:

1. Decide how long you want your bag to be and cut off the legs that many inches plus $\frac{1}{2}$ " down from the waist.
2. Cut the front zipper out of the jeans and sew the gap shut.
3. Cut open the inseam between the legs.
4. Turn the jeans inside out.
5. Flatten the jeans so that the two sides are the sewn-up zipper and the back seam of the pants.

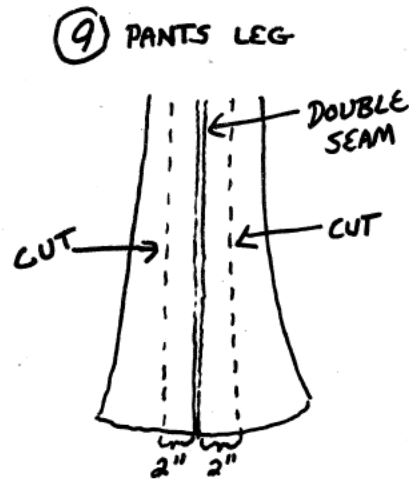


6. Sew seams on the sides straight down from the sewn-up zipper on one side and straight down from the waist on the other side. Trim off the extra cloth.
7. Sew the bottom straight across at least twice.



8. Figure out how long you want the shoulder strap to be.

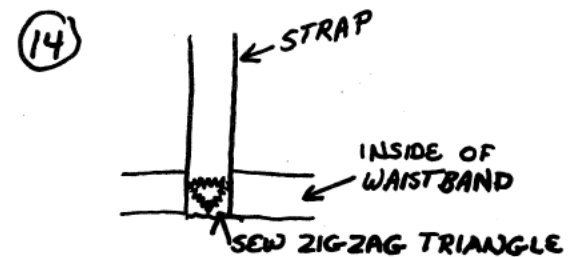
9. Take the legs of the jeans and cut about 2" from each side of the double seam, so you have long strips about $4\frac{1}{2}$ " wide.



12. Fold the strip in half wrong side out and sew a seam down the whole length.

13. Attach a big safety pin to one end of the strap. Push it inside and move it along until the strap is right side out.

14. Sew one end of the strap to each side of the bag. Stick about $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches of the strap inside the waistband and zigzag stitch it in a triangle for security.



15. Sew the zipper into the top of the bag. A wide zigzag is easiest.

--Pheobe Caulfield



10. Sew the two long strips together at one end, so you have one long strip.

11. Cut the strip so that it's the length you want the shoulder strap plus about three inches.

STUDENT

As Hip as Pockets...

CLOTHES

452-7623 CLOTHES

CLOTHES

... or zippers

Summer Hours:
 10AM-9PM Mon.
 10AM-6PM Tues-Fri
 10AM-5:30PM Sat
 1PM-5:30PM Sun

SILKS

115 North St.

Rehabilitation and the Conjugal Visit

submitted by the wife of a Vandalia inmate and reprinted from the Vandalia Newsletter.

Rehabilitation has been a most sought after goal of countless sponsors of many programs and has failed miserably. Consider the many overcrowded prisons around the country today, housing vast majorities of repeaters; inmates who return to prison that have been exposed to endless forms of rehabilitation.

Educational opportunities have been afforded, even through college, along with many forms of physical recreation. This in itself has been a giant step in a forward direction, but a most important ingredient has been consistently omitted: the conjugal visit.

You may keep a man's mind busily occupied with educational and recreational facilities to a point and the momentum of rehabilitation is lost. You can control most of an inmate's daylight hours, but dreams of loved ones take charge at night. A man must be allowed the solace of being just that--a man among men. To deny this is to upset the delicate balance of any rehabilitation program offered in a correctional institution anywhere.

I do not claim any degree of psychology or sociology, or to any of those forms of higher learning. However, the experts in those fields often fail to realize that the voice of an inmate, such as myself, has valuable information and much can be gleaned from what you might say, "the horse's mouth."

A "Dear John" letter from an inmate's wife can virtually destroy a carefully planned individual program of rehabilitation. This in all probability may have been prevented by permitted inmate relationships with the inmate's wife who also has a sexual need.

We have various drug programs and most, if not all, offer satisfactory drug substitutes to an addict who cannot of his own free will kick the drug habit "cold turkey"; yet an inmate in prison is expected to kick his sex habit cold. There is no official and legal substitute offered to him. This habit, if you will, is part of (the human's) physical make up and perfectly legal; sanctioned by clergy.

(Birth control could be made a part of the plan.) The inmates who are not married could also be allowed to participate under the plan with consenting partners. This is not an unrealistic approach to the situation that has long been stubbornly confronted by legislative inertia.

Any idea is doomed to failure that offers a rehabilitation set up without including conjugal visits to deserving inmates who participate. People may question the soundness of such an program, but take sex out of their success of life and it's open to conjecture as to how their own lives may have been vastly altered. I am not suggesting that what I have written is a complete overall plan, but merely the blueprint of a necessary start toward a final goal--true and honest attempts at rehabilitation that may lead to eventual success.

attack this rehabilitation problem with every meaningful weapon and stop wasting time and money with so much verb sap spouted in each attempt made by every political changing of the guard.

Written by Wm. Rollins

PEOPLE EVENTS

("People Events" is a hopefully continuing column about what folks are doing in the area.

Anybody with any short thing about what's happening can send it in care of:

The Post-American, 118 Beaufort, Normal, Illinois 61761.

This is your paper, so we want to hear from you.)

Marty Patrick, a resident of Bloomington who is temporarily residing in Vandalia Prison, received his G.E.D. (General Education Degree) on April 4, 1974.

We say Right on! to brother Marty. Education builds the revolution.

On May 24, 1974, Gary L. Clem of 505 N. Hinshaw, Bloomington, completed the six weeks laborer construction course at the Illinois Laborers' and Contractors' Training Program, Mt. Sterling, Illinois.

This course consisted of the following: air tool operator, small machine operator, 12 hour OSHA, 10 hour emergency first-aid treatment course, sand-blasting, AGL laser, laser alignment, laser beacon, surveying and blueprint reading.

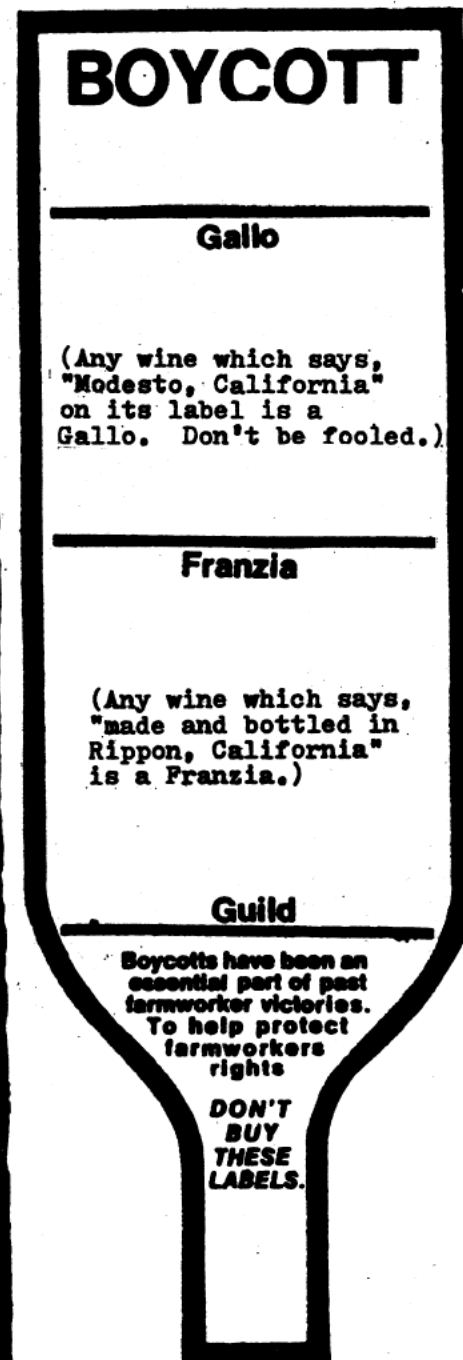
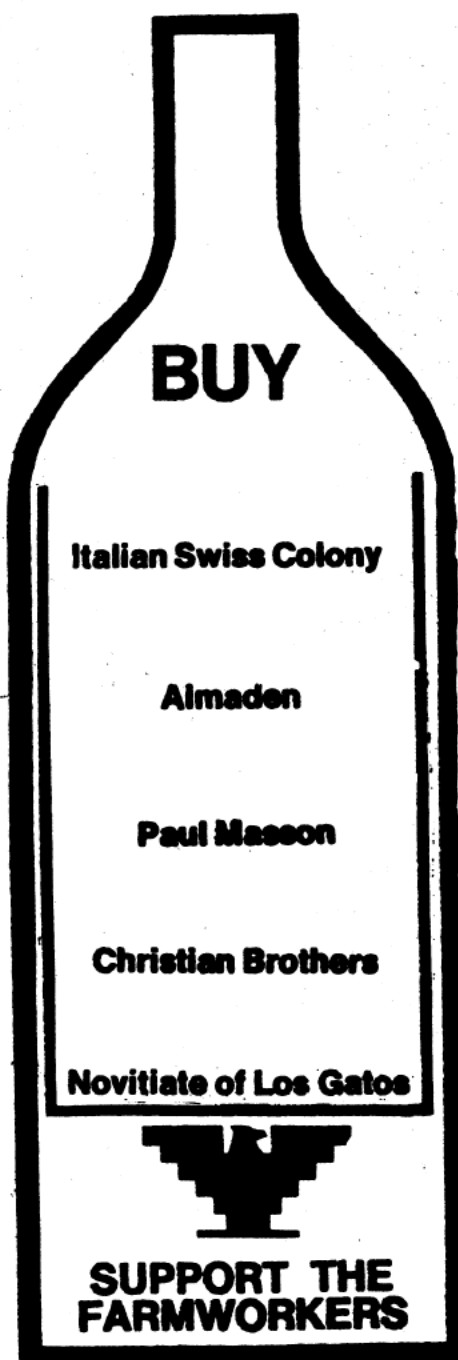
California underground cartoonist Lee Marrs in her first solo comic referred to Normal, Illinois, as the birthplace of her heroine Pudge, the Girl Blimp.

In the first two panels of that comic her character is shown entering San Francisco for the first time wearing a frayed sweat-shirt labelled "Normal High School Marching Band."

(Should it be Normal Community High School? Oh well.)

Apparently Ms. Marrs knows several Normal people from their visits to San Francisco.

That's all for now.



RAPE CRISIS CENTER

Interviews



The Rape Crisis Center of Bloomington-Normal held its first official organizational meeting on January 16th, 1974 although planning had been under way for six months previously to this date.

The Center is a volunteer organization comprised solely of concerned community people and is sponsored by N.O.W. and I.S.U. Women's Center. Financial support of the Center depends entirely on donations at this time.

A hot line and outreach teams are two of the services which will be available. Interviews with local police, doctors, lawyers and hospitals are in progress since outreach teams will need to tell rape victims what to expect from these institutions.

Following are the results of some questions asked of local police by the R.C. Center in interviews (these are not direct quotes):

Question 1. How soon after the victim reports a sexual assault is she interviewed by the detective in charge of her case?

Answer: a) Lt. Bob Shepherd of Bloomington Police Department: If a detective is not on duty, it would be the next day. If a detective is available, it would be immediately after her medical exam.

b) Sheriff King: Can't say; possibly the same day.

c) Mr. Newbold of I.S.U. Security: I.S.U. Security questions the victim and then takes her to the hospital.

d) Lt. Morgan of Normal Police Dept.: As soon as possible, but the detectives only work until midnight.

Question 2. How do police reach their determination of the validity of a report?

Answer: a) Lt. Shepherd of B.P.D.: Just investigation and polygraph. It is Bloomington policy to treat every case as a valid rape until proven different.

b) Sheriff King: No set way; investigation.

c) Lt. Morgan of N.P.D.: It's hard.

Question 3. Do police furnish transportation to and from hospital for victim?

Answer: a) Shepherd: Yes, if necessary and if she wishes.

b) King: No, we'll call the rescue squad or an ambulance.

c) Newbold: Yes, we'll take them to Brokaw.

d) Morgan: Yes.

Question 4. Do police explain to the victim why they ask certain questions about the rape itself?

Answer: a) Shepherd: Yes, definitely.

b) King: I think so.

c) Morgan: Yes.

Question 5. On the average, how many times must the victim repeat her story to the police?

Answer: a) Shepherd: Once orally, then for a typed statement.

b) King: I can't answer that. Once.

c) Newbold: Questions are gone over once.

d) Morgan: A couple at least.

Question 6. Is questioning of the victim kept to a reasonable length of time?

Answer: a) Shepherd: As short a period as it takes to get all information.

b) King: I would think so.

c) Newbold: The length of questioning differs but usually one hour or so.

d) Morgan: Estimated an hour and a half.



Rape Victim Assumed Guilty

Question 7. Do police refer to the assault as the "alleged rape" or the "alleged attempt" in front of the victim?

Answer: a) Shepherd: No.

b) King: Up to the individual officer.

c) Morgan: Yes.

Question 8. Are routine police procedures explained to the victim?

Answer: a) Shepherd: Yes.

b) King: It would be; it's hard to say.

c) Morgan: Yes.

Question 9. Are victims required by law to take a polygraph test?

Answer: a) Shepherd: No, it is Bloomington police policy to take such a test.

b) King: No, and it is not policy.

c) Newbold: No, they do not require a polygraph test, but when one is given, they use the state polygraph.

d) Morgan: No, but it is a good way to substantiate the case.

Question 10. If the victim refuses to take a polygraph test, does this cast doubt on her story?

Answer: a) Shepherd: It does nothing.

b) King: No.

c) Morgan: No, they just carry on with the investigation.

Question 11. How many hours of training do Illinois Police Academy students receive in handling rape cases?

Answer: a) Shepherd: Used to be experience only; now about 16 hours at P.T.I.

b) King: Don't know.

c) Morgan: Don't know, but it wouldn't be very much.

No Police Training for Victim's Psyche

Question 12. Is the variety of emotional reactions and after effects of victims dealt with in their training?

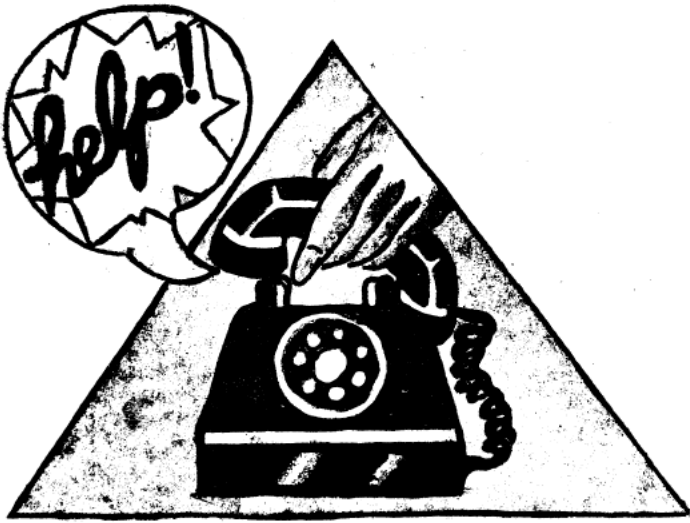
Answer: a) Shepherd: No.

b) King: Doubt whether training deals with after effects.

c) Morgan: No.

Question 13. Does your police department view rape primarily as a sexual offense or as an act of violence and aggression against a person?





Ans.: a) Shepherd: Bloomington Police Department has no policy on this, but personally he views it as violence.

b) King: Sexual offense.

c) Morgan: Violence and aggression, personally and departmentally.

Question 14. What can be done in our area to gain more convictions in sexual assault cases?

Ans.: a) Shepherd: Don't know with the court systems and plea bargaining as they are now.

b) King: Don't know.

c) Morgan: Favorable publicity about police.

Sheriff King Believes Unreported Rape No Problem Here

Question 15. What in your opinion is the reason for the extremely high number of unreported rapes or sexual assaults?

Ans.: a) Shepherd: They must feel it is embarrassing. If it goes through the court system, everyone will know.

b) King: Don't know that there are in this area.

c) Morgan: Embarrassment.

King Refuses Victim Aid from Rape Crisis Center

Question 16. Will you allow us to be present during your interview with a victim?

Ans.: a) Chief Bosshardt of Bloomington Police Department: Yes.

b) King: No, not even at victim's request.

c) Newbold: Argued that noone else would allow it. Otherwise agreed to our presence

d) Chief McGuire of Normal Police Department: Yes.



Pictures by H.J. Ford,
The Crimson Fairy Book

The interview of Mr. Newbold of I.S.U. security was not as extensive as the other police, therefore, his answers are not complete.

Mr. Borth of I.W.U. Security was not included here since he must call in Bloomington police and has no authority for investigation. He has been very helpful and supportive of the Rape Crisis Center.

Both Chief Bosshardt and Lt. Shepherd of the Bloomington Police Department gave us verbal support. Mr. Bosshardt stated that our number would be made available to both victims and detectives, but some doubt exists as to whether this is being done.

Chief McGuire of Normal also stated that he would pass on our number to his detectives, but Lt. Morgan had to ask our interviewer for our number.

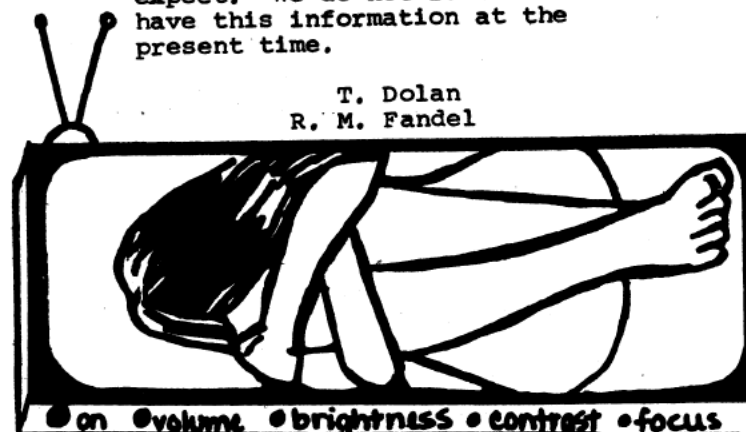
King Accuses R.C.C. of

"infringing on law"

Sheriff King suggested to our interviewers that we were "practically infringing on the law by removing the victim from the scene of a crime." He was told that other rape crisis centers have had no problems with this. He still felt we would run into a problem with "removing the victim from the scene of a crime;" he felt we could have trouble with the law.

The Rape Crisis Center needs accurate information on police policies and procedures to give the victim some idea of what to expect. We do not feel that we have this information at the present time.

T. Dolan
R. M. Fandel



12 "rape is such an ugly word"

"You'll want it, baby."

I had just finished several good months of living in a peach orchard in Southern California with a dozen friendly hoboes and 10 or so assorted dogs. The inevitable time had come when the peaches (we were employed as migrant workers) were on their way to your friendly neighborhood supermarket and we were heading out in different directions.

I decided to come back here to Illinois to meet my sister's brand new baby, but first I was going to cut through the mountains up north-- the Sierras. So. . .

I was standing at the side of the highway singing a little tune to my dog, Pago, who was quite young and harmless. The sun was going down, and I was thinking about that new baby boy and trying not to remember some of the crazies that I'd ridden with before, the how-bout-a-handjob-baby romantics and groping truck-drivers.

Well, I turned down 3 rides just to be safe, but number 4 landed me on the ground with a sweaty stranger on top of me. His name was Ray, and he had left his job in a Kansas City gas station to escape an overbearing mother and try to hit it rich in Reno. He was 28 years old. I was 18. He was big-- much bigger than me I could tell at a glance and had greased back hair-- which I tried not to take as a bad sign. There were probably tattoos, probably lots of tattoos, and I never would have gotten in the car with him had there not been 3 other people in the back seat; a couple and their child. What could be safer, a bus ticket? Those 3 others remained in the back seat while several hours later old Ray parked the car on a dirt mountain road and drug me from it.

I still had one card to play so to speak-- while it was now apparent to me that Pago wasn't going to lunge at my assailant's throat-- in my pocket, quietly waiting, I had a small can of mace which had lent

me much moral support and friendly comfort throughout many miles of trial and adventure. I had been saving it as a last resort.

I was young at the time of all this, but I knew that a lot, a whole lot, of women get raped and some of them get stabbed or shot or strangled. Yet I had enough faith in my luck and my rap and enough belief in other people that when Muscleman threw me on the ground, all I thought was, "If he'll just listen to my rap, I'll be okay. Maybe he'll apologize politely and that'll be it."

"You are my brother," I started to explain carefully (hopelessly naive, I suppose). He raised his eyebrows, slid his hand across my back and answered, "If you were a good girl, I'd treat you like a good girl." So that's the game, I found myself defending my moral character and fast losing ground.

A new approach. I told him frankly that I was a sensitive person and that if he raped me like this, I'd never be the same-- he'd ruin my sex life and scare me badly besides.

"A girl like you should be married."

Putting emotionalism aside, I decided to get down to business. "Just what fun would you get out of raping me?" I wanted to know.

I had never been confronted with a person like this before, and was deeply shocked at my own inability to reach him, to make him react, to acknowledge as a separate and distinct person. I had family. I had friends. I used to be a little girl. I had plans and ideas. I wasn't an empty vagina. He saw nothing extraordinary in the situation. He didn't question his role. Most amazing-- he took for granted the right of his body over mine. He had control. He had picked up some hitchhiking chick with wiggley tits who was playing a tiresome game of hard to get.

I felt impotent.

Apparently, I had offended his sense of delicacy. He grimaced, "Oh, rape is such an ugly word." Adding, "You'll want it, baby."

If I'd had a gun in my pocket, I would have killed him.

A car drove past not far from us and Ray surprised me by clasping his hand over my mouth, then punching my face a few times. "You know you might not look so good with a few teeth missing," he observed.

"If you scream, you might not be around tomorrow" and to show me that he meant business, he squeezed my throat tightly. I relaxed my body now and pretended to faint, hoping for some sympathy and feeling like a murder victim from True Detective magazine.

He saw his opportunity and began to crawl on top of me like some clumsy, drooling bear.

I decided that he was intent upon his purpose and could see the little aerosol can of mace as my only last chance. Unfortunately, I soon discovered that my only last chance didn't work from a reclining position, a vast oversight on the part of the manufacturer.

Now I was bummed out and crazy man was beating me up. I knew my karma wasn't that bad-- a jeep drove past not far from us and I began to scream scream scream. And was ultimately rescued by 2 reluctant fishermen. Ray stood beside me, calm as shit, shrugging his shoulders mumbling, "Crazy chick, picked her up hitchhiking. Don't know what's wrong with her."

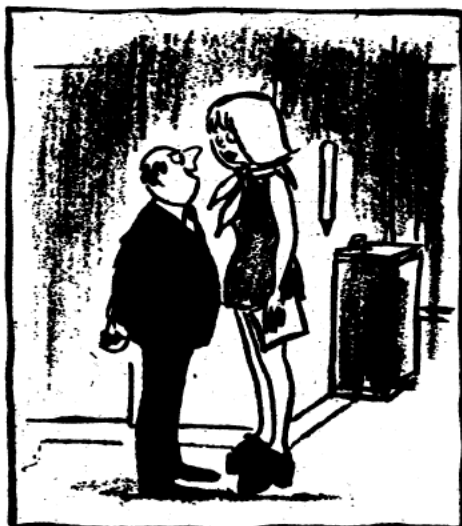
As for me, he shook my hand and said, "I guess I had you figured wrong."

(Oh.)

Every day women are held down and raped by some such asinine goon. I personally know of several other women who have been raped-- usually women who were hitchhiking. Now, I like to hitchhike. It makes me feel good. It's free. It's fun, but it's dangerous.

I don't expect this little story to stop anybody from hitchhiking. I still actually do it, though not long distances alone and never at night. And I carry a little plan around with me all the time, quietly waiting. If ever I find myself in an unavoidable situation again, I plan to just cuddle up to the man real sweet and say smiling, "Sweetheart, my specialty is blow-jobs. And while he's congratulating himself, I'll be biting off one of his balls-- maybe both."

--Allison



"I don't suppose you can run very fast in these things, can you?"



cpf

Administration of Rape

the necessary woman on monday
tending labyrinths of the master
you lady doll, chicky, babe gal friday
blow your job faster, faster, faster
to the dance of rancid aphrodesiac
the stunning weak mystery of crepe
the rhythmic narcotic hand across the back
tattoo his mind scarlet letter rape

Barbara Wilson



cpf

WARNING!!

DANGEROUS DRUGS-

13

Mini-Pill

New York (LNS)-Recently an estrogen-free birth control pill has been developed called NOR-QD or the "mini-pill."

The fallacy behind the development of NOR-QD is that an estrogen-free birth control pill will be less dangerous than a combination estrogen-progestin pill. There is no clinical evidence to show that progestin based birth control pills will significantly reduce the chance of harmful side-effects. Less than 3000 women have been tested.

Adverse reactions in women taking progestins include: edema-swelling of tissues due to fluid retention, absence of abnormal stoppage of men-

struation, change in weight, change in cervical secretions and erosion, jaundice, rashes, depression, breast changes, skin changes, abnormal growth of body and facial hair, as well as migraines and other headaches.

Some women who have taken the mini-pill have lost their regular menstrual cycle, or have stopped menstruating altogether.

Despite the huge number of potential NOR-QD users and the serious "side effects" at issue, Syntex Laboratories--the developers of the pill--is satisfied with its limited clinical testing of only 3000 women and considers the drug "marketable". Yet the women who use NOR-QD are, in effect, guinea pigs in yet another medical experiment.

In addition, very little is known about the way NOR-QD or, for that matter, any progestin-based oral contraceptive works. And the pregnancy rate is higher--three pregnancies per hundred women, 97%--than with the conventional birth control pill (99.9%).

It is thought that progestin affects the endometrium--the mucous coating of the uterus--and thus inhibits implantation of the egg. This may be the reason that a higher instance of tubal pregnancies--a dangerous condition which requires surgery--is being reported among women on such pills.

Flagyl

Trichomonas vaginitis is a very common vaginal infection, sometimes called "trich." The symptoms include slight to severe burning and itching, a thin and foamy discharge which is yellowish-green or gray in color, and has a foul odor.

If you go to the doctor and s/he diagnoses your condition as trich, be careful to find out what medicine s/he prescribes for you. The most common prescription is for Flagyl (generic name--metronidazole). Don't use it.

Two researchers, Rustia and Shubik, studied Flagyl and found that it produced cancer in mice--lung cancer in males and females, and lymphomas in females, the latter finding causing the authors to conclude that it was leukemia-causing in females.

The FDA has been presented with a petition to ban the drug, but so far hasn't taken any action. It's a long process to get a drug off the market, and you don't want to take any chances meanwhile.

Two British researchers, Singh and Cutler, report that spermicidal jellies inhibit the growth of trichomonas, as well as yeast, gonorrhea, and syphilis organisms. Some women use these jellies every couple of weeks to prevent trich infection and have found, even for women with a history of infections, that they are effective.

Other women advise packing the vagina with yogurt to prevent or cure trichomonas. All agree that cotton underwear is better than nylon in all cases, because it absorbs moisture and provides more ventilation.

Douching with vinegar sometimes works, too, although you shouldn't do it more than once every two weeks. I once spent \$40 trying unsuccessfully to get rid of an infection with prescription drugs. Finally I used a vinegar douche, and it worked right away.

Old wives tales? I'm beginning to trust old wives more than doctors and drug companies.

--thanks to LNS for information used



K-SWILL presents
22 ORIGINAL
LAST SONGS OF
DEAD
SUPERSTARS

ONE MORE TIME,
ON ONE ALBUM
the
Rock of Ages
HERE'S WHAT
You get:

JIM CROCE'S NEW SINGLE 'NOSE DIVE'
JIMI HENDRIX - 'PURPLE BARF'
JANIS JOPLIN - 'PIECE OF MY PIOT'
BRAND JONES - 'SYMPATHY FOR THE DEAD'
AND 'YOU CAN'T ALWAYS SWIM
WHERE YOU WANT'
PAUL MC CARTNEY - 'MAYBE I'M ALIVE'
OTIS REDDING - 'SITTIN' ON THE BLOCK
ON MY GRAVE'
DUANE ALLMAN - 'LEADER OF THE PACK'
5.98 - AND MORE - 7.98 FOR TAPES

LESS IS MORE

PHONE: 452-9221
452-5849
828-7026

WHAT,
ME SELL
THE
POST?



MAKE
5¢ a copy
(first 50)
7 1/2¢ a copy
(after)

SHADLEY'Z Believe it....
OR ELSE!!

UNIVERSITY ENGLISH
PROFESSOR
GROWN IN THE SHAPE
OF A
Vegetable!!

submitted by ~
CHAS. DICKENS
LONDON, ENG



People's Food Needs a Driver!

PEOPLES FOOD CO-OP

114 1/2 NORTH STREET

452-9221

1004 W., WASHINGTON

People's Food keeps coming together more and more. We now have a place of our own, to store our dried goods, use as a meeting place and whatever else we want to do with it. It's located at 1004 W. Washington. We call it the West Side Center. It's looking real good and it's ready to go into action. So you folks who live in Bloomington try to pick up your food at the West Side Center and lighten the load at the Newman Center a little.

Pat's going to be buying directly from the market from now on instead of going to Cornucopia which means that she will be leaving at 12:30 or 1:00 a.m. Thursday night and be doing a lot of hard work at the market buying our food. So what we need is for someone to help her out by driving to and/or from Chicago. If you talk to the money taker on Friday this worker will give you more information, and get you in contact with Pat. She won't be able to do this alone. This is one way to volunteer your time. Also someone else to ride along is always welcome. To experience the Water St. Market is a trip, that's for sure

West Side Center Opens

Another thing about the West Side Center: since we're going to the market now we'll be buying full cases of food, so there will be surplus. In order for us to handle this extra food we want to have the West Side Center open on Saturday from 10:00a.m. to 6:00 p.m. So if you can volunteer hours during any of that time, please sign the volunteer sheet on Friday or let the order taker know when you place your order.

Now for you people who don't have the slightest idea of what I'm talking about, People's Food is a non-profit food buying co-operative. As a food co-operative our goal is to purchase food at the lowest possible price and in a co-operative manner. Working together we can lower food costs while at the same time seeking healthier food. There is always room in the food co-op for new members, new ideas, and new ways of helping each other. Besides providing good food, People's Food Co-op is a learning experience and a sharing process.

The People's Food co-op is entering its third year and with it many important changes are taking place. Regular meetings for all co-op members are anticipated. Fund raising events are being planned. With the opening of the West Side Distribution Center we can look forward to many new kinds of food.

So come and join People's Food Co-op, you'll save money and enjoy higher quality food in the process.

How to Order

How to order food from People's Food Co-op:
Just use the order form to place an order. Phone in your order during the following times. Mon. 12-4:30, Tues. 2-8, Wed. 9-11. Call the following numbers, 452-9221 or 452-2412. When you place an order ask the order taker the prices for that week. Also ask for information on how to become a member of People's Food. You need not be a member to order food for the first few times.

Food pick-up is on Friday between the hours of 4 and 6 p.m.; tell the order taker where you would like to receive your food, because there are two locations. These are: Newman Center, 501 S. Main, Normal West Side Distribution Center, 1004 W. Washington, Bloomington

[illegible]

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
PHONE _____
PICK UP: NEWMAN CENTER _____
: WEST SIDE CENTER _____

monterey jack			
TOTAL ORDER	-	-	-
Less Credit	-	-	-
EQUALS	-	-	-
PLUS SURPLUS	-	-	-
MEMBERSHIP FEE	-	-	-
TOTAL:			

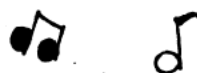
THE PEOPLES FOOD CO-OP
452-9221

STOP AT AX-IN-HAND

107 n. broadway

**FOR THE
MOST IN MUSIC**

GUITARS BIGBOOKS SICAL and ESSORIES



CALLING ALL MEN: BLACK & WHITE

It's really hard to put into words how I feel right now. Physically a little sick to my stomach and very angry. Intellectually.... well, that's what I want to talk about. I've been involved in the Rape Crisis Center for awhile and I've been concerned over the number of assaults that happen to women, but somehow when it hits close to home...then your concern becomes a lot greater. A while back two women friends of mine were assaulted. It has upset me for a number of reasons and leaves me with some heavy thoughts in my mind that I really want to get out.

AUTHORITY DIVIDES

One thing that keeps going through my mind is the manner in which people in authority, like Nixon and Sheriff King, keep the oppressed people divided. It's done so cleverly that we really don't know that it's happening. Black men attack these women. Now don't start calling me a racist pig until you hear me out.

Blacks have been so heavily oppressed by whites for as long as this country has been in existence that many black people really hate whites, or at least what they seem to stand for. It's pretty easy to understand that...but, who made the rules, who are the rulers? Not white women and not poor white men...These people have been used... The rulers are white men in power, who run giant corporations all over this country and in many other countries. They are the rich and they like it that way...They do as much as they can to divide us so that they and a few others like them can own most of this country...As long as we are all fighting each other, we can't be fighting them. So you see, I'm not riding black men because all of us-both women and powerless men of all colors in this country are really into putting each other down-especially if someone is weaker than we are.

I can dig it-after all if I keep getting trampled on all the time I naturally want to tromp on someone else too. But like I said, that's just the way they've planned it....and just look around at what a good job they've done too. But... finally, Third World people and women and various other groups of minorities are becoming more and more aware of what these guys are doing. Women have realized that we'll be much stronger united together. The same goes for the people in the Third World. But the rulers in this country are VERY strong and the chances that a single group of women or a single group of blacks will tear down this country and build it back up alone is unlikely...But, all of us together COULD tear it down and build us one magnificent example of a beautiful place.

PREPARE TO STRUGGLE

I'm not sure what it takes, but I place my plea before those men who see things as I do. Please spend some time talking to other men and educating them. Women have to become strong and self-confident about themselves and their sisters. We have to be prepared for what could happen - self-defense courses are a must. As long as we are attacked, we must not be afraid to hurt our attacker. If it takes force, we must use force. Women have been quiet too long. We have too much to offer and too much to gain...Men must realize that they cannot use us anymore. We welcome men to fight our oppressors with us, but as long as we are victimized by men, we must fight them in their efforts to oppress us. Dependency has never been and never will be an adequate defense.

UNITY CONQUERS

So, do you see what I mean? It's to the advantage of all of us to stick together. Now, I'm not saying that our women's group should have men in it, or that black liberation groups should have whites in them... I just think that we should be hip to who the real enemy is. Cause sometimes we abuse each other, some of the local enemy (B/N police maybe?) gets called into the picture....It can be pretty frightening when someone off the streets calls the police and there they are...We all know that they don't give a damn about us. They are into "Law and Order". It doesn't matter if the laws are outdated or if the prison system is totally messed up. Or that the main people who get sent up are just people struggling hard to survive and just seem unable to get any breaks...Of course, being sent up makes the odds even harder to overcome. I don't want to call the police on anyone... Because I know that they are probably more of an enemy to me than people off the street. But I tell you, it puts a person in an uncomfortable, insecure position-women are getting assaulted by men (all different sorts of men) every day.

Men are brought up to think that they must be dominating and that women have been created only for their comfort and convenience. They believe that women are either to be put on a virginal pedestal and not to be touched or roughly used and discarded, and called a whore or a bitch. This is completely absurd and it raises my deepest wrath. What does it take to become a human to my brothers (I hope that some day they will be my brothers)? Do we have to beat them to pulp? Show them that we too can be terrible in the exercise of our power? I'd really hate for it to come down to something like that. What does it take for these men to realize that if we worked together against the people who oppress us both we would be so much stronger and so much happier?

ON PROSTITUTION

"Nowhere is woman treated according to the merit of her work, but rather as a sex. It is therefore almost inevitable that she should pay for her right to exist, to keep a position in whatever line, with sex favors. Thus it is merely a question of degree whether she sells herself to one man, in or out of marriage, or to many men. Whether our reformers admit it or not, the economic and social inferiority of women is responsible for prostitution."

-Emma Goldman

poemz

A VIEW OF THE CONRAD HILTON
FROM THE WABASH YMCA

March 15, 1974 2:00 a.m.

The President is down the street
wrapped in security
gray trenchcoats crowd the walks
and guard his car
(an all night vigil by the limousine;
beneath cold lights, hot coffee,
like a wake).

He may sleep well
so snugly blanketed,
and he really should be locked away
in his safe accommodations--
not lodged with the people
like an old complaint.

The President is off the streets
and tucked away
although the blanket shows
he feels a chill.
The Imperial Suite can surely tell
the wind is rising
to seek and find him out
beneath his cover.

But till that time,
he braves it out--
high-shouldered Puritan
(though hemorrhoids twitch)--
and butts his nose
against the Ides of March.

--Robert D. Sutherland

NIXON NEANDERTHAL

The third world
is creeping up on your rice krispies.
And though you lick the spoon,
and slurp the milk,
you wonder how to stop-
the snap, crackle, pop
from speaking-
fresh words of music
and magic.

Archibald Jive

Dear Mr. President...

NOTE: The following letter has been sent to numerous U.S. Senators, as well as several newspapers, in hopes of making persons aware of the continuous oppression from a country receiving an overabundance of U.S. foreign aid. . .

Open Letter to richard nixon

dick,

As an Armenian-American and a human being, I am appalled at your apparent unconcern toward the repression of Armenians in Turkey.

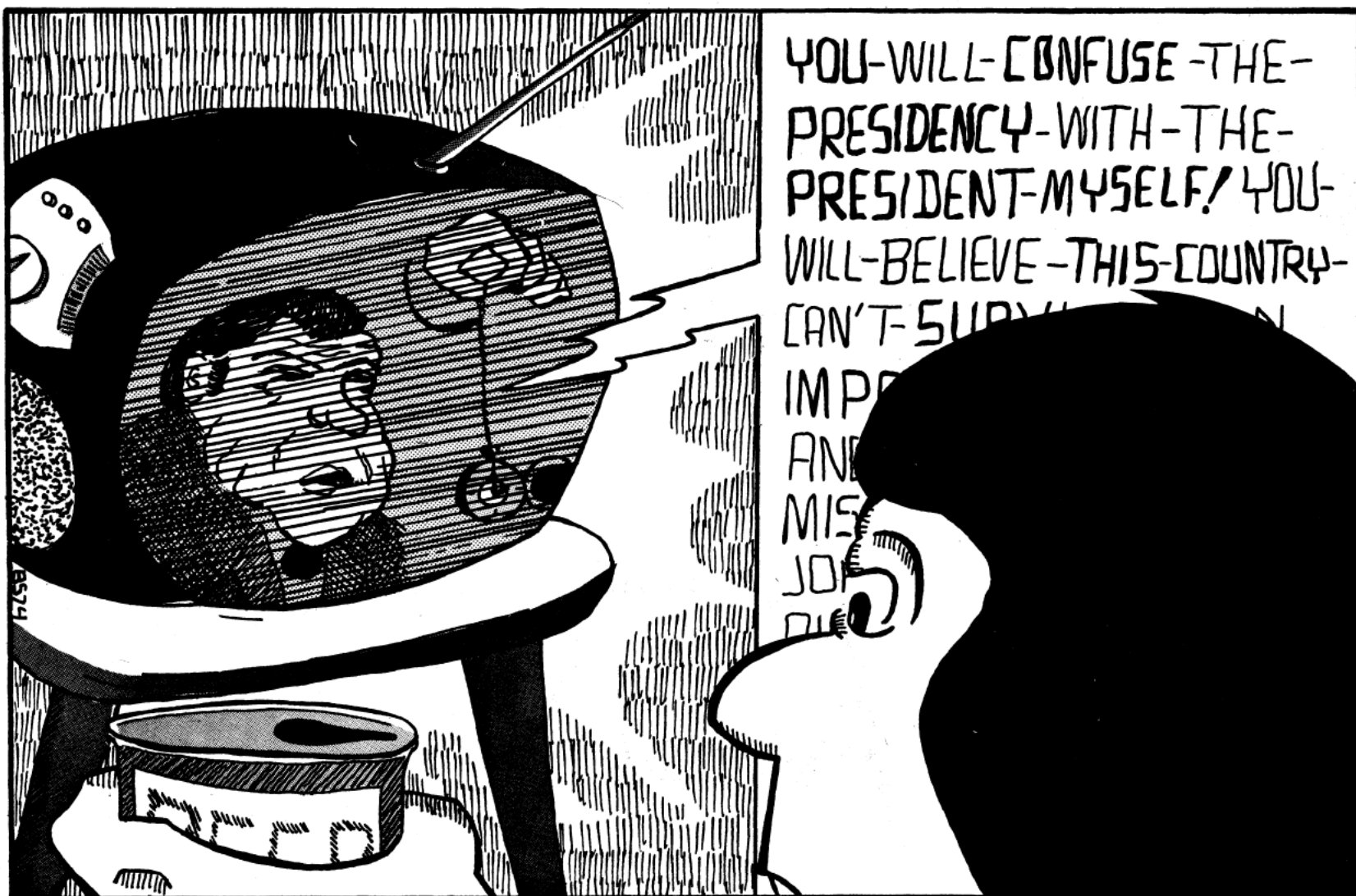
I am referring to more than one correspondence which you elected to ignore, from the Armenian National Committee. The current harrassment of Armenians in Turkey (in particular at Istanbul) was brought to your attention in at least two letters from the Armenian organization. Those letters dated November 30, 1973, and January 15, 1974, bring to your attention, again, a matter of urgent importance. The persecution and repression of Armenians in Turkey is certainly a matter with which you are not unfamiliar.

More importantly, however, your indifference to the plea from many Armenians merely reinforces the growing disfaith of Armenian-Americans in their government, and especially in you. It is becoming increasingly clear that nixon could care less about a minority group victimized by genocide 59 years ago, and who are still suffering that same repression today.

Maybe the Armenian genocide of 1915 represents the same indifference demonstrated in the more recent genocidal bombing policy you supported in Indochina. Or maybe this is all a part of some over-all, long-range plan you call "a generation of world peace."

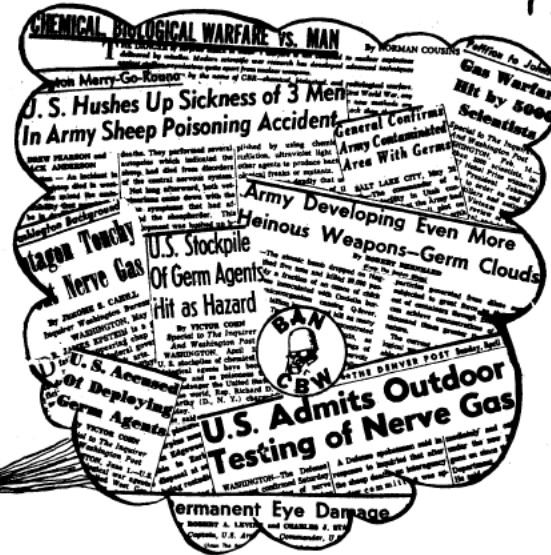
I, as many Armenians, still await your response. Hopefully, we will hear from you prior to your resignation.

Marty Meketarian
Bloomington, Illinois



PIGS & PUPPETS

Miamisburg, Ohio (LNS)--- Radioactive plutonium has leaked out of the Atomic Energy Commission's own weapons factory in Miamisburg. The plutonium was identified by the AEC as an isotope of a metal not found in nature called plutonium-238. According to the Washington Post, plutonium-238 is one of the most toxic materials known and can cause almost instant death if inhaled. One scientist quoted in the Post estimated plutonium-238 in the lungs is about 100,000 times more poisonous than cobra venom or potassium cyanide, and about 10,000 times more poisonous than nerve gases. It takes 87.5 years for plutonium-238 to break down and decrease its radioactivity by one half.



Atlanta, Ga. (Great Speckled Bird)--- Last week Governor Jimmy Carter jumped mouth first into the controversy over the Atlanta Police Department Decoy Squad. In a statement to the press, Carter described the members of the squad as very courageous and, responding to the new City Council investigation of the squad, said, "My heart goes out to them." Although Carter went on to say that he found nothing irregular in the decision by the Public Safety Committee to investigate the Decoy Squad, Carter said that he had reviewed the orders and instructions under which the squad was operating and concluded that there was no illegal or unethical behavior involved. He said that the squad "deserves the support of the people." According to a source in the governor's office, Carter had no information, and no apparent interest in the details of the seven deaths so far attributable to the Decoy Squad. His statements were based only on the Squad's "formal instructions."

New Orleans (LNS)--- The Gerber Baby Food Company received an award May 14 in conjunction with the 34th Annual Meeting of the Institute of Food Technologists that is now underway in New Orleans. The award-- the third annual Bon Vivant Vichyssoise Memorial Award--- was conferred on Gerber by the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a Washington based public interest group. The award, whose past recipients were Bon Vivant in 1972 and General Foods in 1973, is bestowed on major food companies that encourage bad eating habits. It takes its name from the Bon Vivant soup scandal in which one man died and several others were made ill from eating vichyssoise contaminated with botulism.

MISC. STRUGGLES

Madrid, Spain (Le Monde, French daily)--- An anarchist Revolutionary Action group has claimed responsibility for the kidnapping on May 3rd, in Paris, of Angel Suarez, the top executive of the French branch of the Spanish Bank of Bilbao. The anarchist organization published a communique in Madrid on May 7 in which it gave the details of the demands it had made to the Spanish government for the release of Suarez. These demands are: 1) Publication by the Spanish press of all the communiques issued by revolutionary organizations, 2) Release of Santiago Sole Amigo, militant of the Iberian Liberation Movement, who is seriously ill in his prison cell, 3) Publication in the Spanish press of the prosecution's evidence against the militants of the Patriotic Antifascist Revolutionary Front who were arrested on May 1 and risk the death penalty, and 4) Parole for all the political prisoners who are legally eligible.



Detroit (Michigan Free Press)--- Militant lesbians, supported by gay men, attempted to take over a workshop on Gay sexuality during the American Psychiatric Association convention last week at Cobo Hall. As the final part of a panel discussion of the APA's recently liberalized position on gay sexuality, lesbians Rachel Kamel and Joan Nixon read a collective position paper denouncing the continued institutional and social power of psychiatrists, and charging them with carrying out atrocities against gay people and women. Kamel and Nixon then called lesbians to the stage and demanded that two male psychiatrists and the male moderator of the panel step down. When the APA moderator and one of the psychiatrists refused, Kamel called the workshop to an end and left the room. Confused discussion of the action continued for more than an hour and gradually the APA moderator regained control of the situation. Cobo Hall security guards, summoned by the APA, did not intervene against the more than 100 gay participants in the action and the ensuing discussion.

Minneapolis (LNS)--- Two sets of salad are being served in the cafeterias at the University of Minnesota-- one labeled "made with Teamster lettuce" and the other "made with United Farm Worker Lettuce." So far, this has been the university administration's response to a student boycott of campus cafeterias. The boycott resulted from the administration's refusal to honor the results of a student referendum demanding that the school food services stop buying and serving non-UFW lettuce and grapes. Student groups on campus intend to continue picketing until only UFW lettuce and grapes are served. The faculty club has supported their demands.

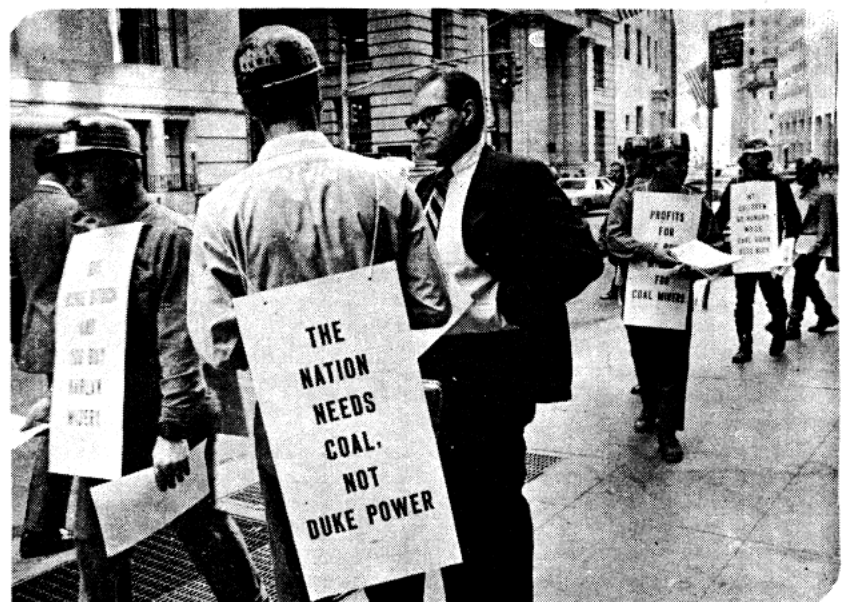
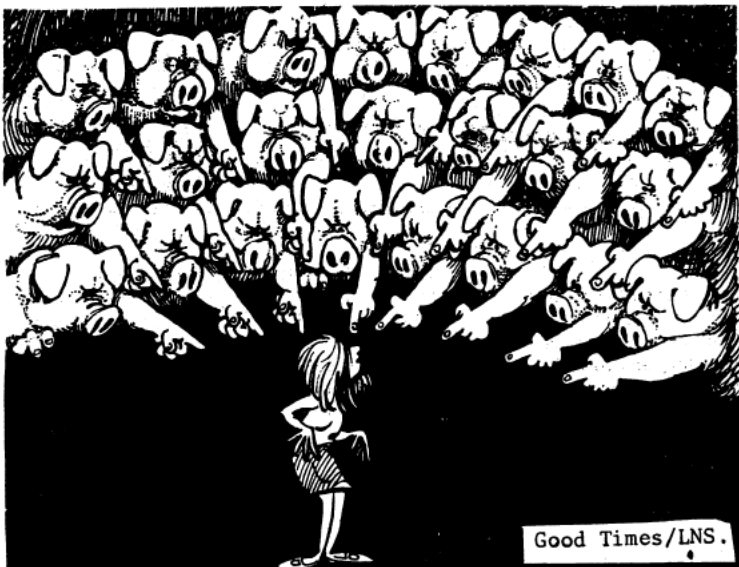
Washington (Guardian)--- Over 500 Greek democrats demonstrated April 21 outside the White House to protest seven years of fascist rule in Greece. Focusing on the military and intelligence aid from the U.S. which keeps the fascists in power, they also expressed solidarity with the Greek peoples' struggle to gain the right to self-determination and democracy. They condemned the brutal oppression, torture and illegal imprisonment of Greek democrats in concentration camps.

WORKERS

Brookside, Kentucky (Guardian)--- The United Mine Workers last week leveled charges of "bribery, coercion, and intimidation" against the Duke Power Co. in a scandal that destroys the company's cultivated image of respectability. The UMW exposed the conspiracy by revealing that officials of the SLU, a company union, had attempted to bribe two of the striking Brookside miners with an offer of \$5000 if they would play the role of strike breakers by agitating successfully for a return to work. The UMW's charges were documented in transcripts of a tape-recorded conversation between the two miners and the SLU officials at a May 3 meeting in Harlan County, where part of the bribe money was paid.

St. Petersburg, Florida (The Great Speckled Bird)--- In the face of low funds, a vicious union-busting attempt by the company, mass firings and the use of scabs; the bus drivers of St. Petersburg, Florida are standing their ground in a month long strike. The drivers are members of the Amalgamated Transit Union. As strike funds went lower and lower, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers local at the telephone company in St. Petersburg sent \$100 to a strike fund, and union members marched on the picket. A United Electrical Workers Union local from nearby Tampa also supported the strike, and walked the picket line, as did the United Farmworkers, the October League and several other community organizations.

New York (Wall Street Journal)--- As if divorces weren't touchy enough, a real sore point popped up in a New York divorce proceeding. When the wife's lawyer pressed about the \$22,000 the husband had reported on his tax return, the husband responded by pleading the Fifth Amendment. An answer might subject him to prosecution for tax offenses. Judge Leonard L. Finz, a bit startled, eventually accepted the claim. That was after some very gingerly probing to make sure the wife's rights weren't being thwarted by an unwarranted claim of privilege.



Harrisburg, Pa. (LNS)--- After a union organizing campaign that lasted almost a year, the workers at Resistance Products voted to join the United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America (UE). Conditions in the plant are what one worker called "miserable." Most of the people employed there are women, and they have few benefits and no rights on the job. "A lot of the girls get this," said one woman as she held up her fingers to show the white scales on them. The scales are a sign of eczema, a skin disease that results from handling the industrial chemicals used in the plant. Until last October many workers were paid less than \$2.00/hr. Without a union contract, salary increases are granted arbitrarily--- many women who have worked the same length of time were paid different wages and there was no seniority system. There was also no grievance procedure, pension plan, and supervisors ignored safety standards.

WOMEN



New York (LNS)--- A woman who was fired for refusing to clean the kitchen of the travel agency where she worked as a tour guide won her point and \$2390 in back pay after the American Civil Liberties Union filed a suit in her behalf with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Last September the travel agency had ordered its 36 female employees to wash coffee pots and do other work in the kitchen. The agency's 12 male employees were not asked to do kitchen duty. The travel agency agreed to discontinue the cleanup policy and gave in to the woman's demands before the EEOC ruled.

ALTERNATIVE NEWS BRIEFS

"THREE MARIAS" ACQUITTED

"They will accuse us of secret things, the three of us... Whores or lesbians, we do not care what they call us, as long as the battle is fought and not lost... Enough, Enough, it is time to form a block with our bodies."

--New Portuguese Letters

(LNS) - The three women writers known as the Three Marias were acquitted of charges of "offenses against public morality" May 7.

The three, Maria Teresa Horta, Maria Isabel Barreno and Maria Velho da Costa, announced that with the freedoms resulting from the April 25 coup, they would begin organizing a women's movement with the legalization of abortion as a first priority.

Their book, New Portuguese Letters, published in April, 1972, attacks the repression of women in Portugal, using poetry, letters, essays and narrative to focus on aspects of women's oppression.

When the secret police moved to seize the books two months later in June 1972, only 100 copies of the first printing of 3,000 remained unsold. The authors, who received less than \$100 each for the book, were interrogated and charged with offenses against public morals. They faced jail terms of up to two years if convicted. Anticipating trouble with the stringent censorship before the coup, they did not indi-

vidually sign their work in the book, and refused to disclose to the police which of the pieces each had written.

New Portuguese Letters and the trial of its authors, which had been going on since October, 1973, received little publicity in Portugal because of press censorship. However international publicity and women's demonstrations at Portuguese embassies around the world apparently put some pressure on the Portuguese government. Shortly before the coup, the government prosecutor had moved to dismiss the charges.

According to the New York Times, the judge had been prepared to dismiss the charges before the coup, but "had postponed his verdict to give himself more time to study the evidence."

After their acquittal was announced, the women spoke of plans for organizing a women's movement and legalizing abortion. Thousands of women resort to abortions clandestinely, "under deplorable conditions," said Maria Isabel Barreno. "Today's decision is only the beginning," she said.

The women who packed the small courtroom introduced a variation of a chant popular since the coup, "A united people shall never be vanquished". In the courtroom, the women chanted, "United women shall never be vanquished."

IN SAIGON

ROUND

extraction of oil in South Vietnam."

Increasingly concerned over the threat to their traditional control of crude oil production in the Arab producing states, the major international petroleum giants are seeking alternative sources of supply.

Taking advantage of legislation passed by the Saigon government

in December, 1970, they are staking claims to the last "open"

segment of the South China Sea's vast oil basin, off the Mekong Delta.

In July, 1973, preliminary concessions were awarded Shell, Mobil, Esso Exploration (Exxon), and Sunningdale, a small Canadian company.

Drilling may begin late this year or early 1975.

Pressures for early development will probably be included in contracts for this second round.

Ships laden with electronic gear have been conducting geological surveys for years in the South China Sea, and the companies are almost certain to bring in profitable wells.

According to the Chase Manhattan Bank, \$35 billion will be invested for petroleum development in the South China Sea over the next decade. Despite the precarious situation of the Saigon regime, oil men appear relaxed about gambling over the highly promising concession areas.

SINGAPORE (PNS/LNS)--Thirty-four oil exploration companies have qualified for bidding on South Vietnam's second round of offshore concessions in the South China Sea.

Bidders include Exxon, Shell, Mobil, Gulf, and CFP, the French National Petroleum Company.

Saigon's National Petroleum Board has announced that 50 "blocks" covering 100,000 square miles have been designated for petroleum exploration and development, with 32 offered now 18 being held as a national reserve. Contracts are expected to be awarded later this year.

South Vietnam's Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG), which under the 1973 Paris Peace Agreements shares sovereignty with the Saigon administration, has denounced Saigon's earlier concession awards.

In a July 20, 1973 broadcast, the PRG called the awards "an illegal, traitorous and anti-popular move. The Saigon administration... represents nobody, and has no right to sign any agreement on the

Oh to be a space in the bottom corner of the next to the last page of the Post-Amerikan and not have to worry about the state of the world or the

state of the country or the state of the state or the state of the furrh-lugginer town or the state of the person typing this.....

MAN WANTED
CALL IMMEDIATELY
WE WILL PUT YOU TO WORK
RIGHT AWAY!!
CALL STANDARD OIL COMPANY
STANDARD OIL BUILDING,
CHICAGO, ILL.
WRITE YOUR OWN CHECKS
TO DO ACCOUNTING FOR
RICH OIL MILLIONAIRE
H-25 HELP WANTED
MEN AND WOMEN
Medical

\$20,000
\$18,000
\$15,000
\$12,000
\$10,000
\$8,000
\$6,000
\$4,000
\$2,000

1st accountant
FOR DA FIRST QUESTION
OF DIS INTERVIEW. HOW
MUCH IS 2 BARRELS OF OIL
PLUS 2 MORE?
GEEZ...
DAT'S EASY

IT'S FOUR! EVERY
DUMMY KNOWS DAT.
WE'LL CALL
YOU IN DA
NEXT YEAR



2nd accountant
FOR DA FIRST QUESTION
OF DIS INTERVIEW. HOW
MUCH IS 2 BARRELS OF OIL
PLUS 2 MORE?
I WAS
NERVOUS
FOR DIS?

DA CORRECT RESPONSE
IS EXACTLY FOUR
BARRELS. DATS EASY
WELL... YOU
MIGHT HEAR
FROM US

BOY, OH BOY... WHERE
IS A MAN WHO'S
GOOD WITH NUMBERS

3rd accountant
FOR DA FIRST QUESTION
OF DIS INTERVIEW. HOW
MUCH IS 2 BARRELS OF OIL
PLUS 2 MORE?

ANYTHING YOU
WANT IT TO BE

THANK TA RISING UP ANGRY

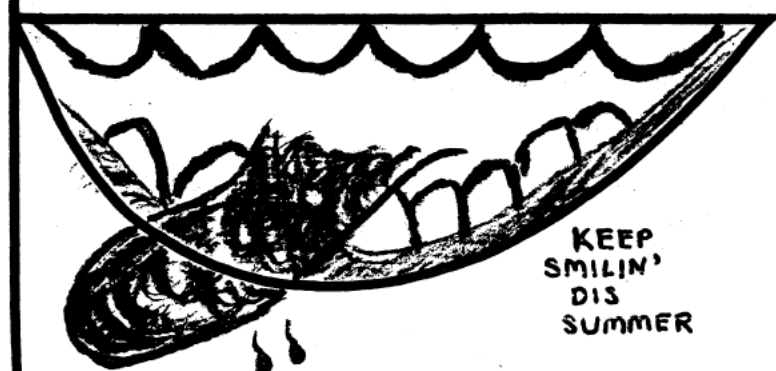
ANYTHING YOU
WANT IT TO BE

THANK TA RISING UP ANGRY

THANK TA RISING UP ANGRY



SHADLEY'S Believe it.... OR ELSE!!
**ANCIENT EX. FRIMENTS IN MATTER
TRANSITION:** - Found preserved by Prof.
AD PALEPTIC, BA, MA, MDA, IN
The laboratory of an ucient alchemist -
**HALF BREAD
HALF FISH!!**
Belived to be a remnant
OF EARLY failures (29 AD) of the legendary MAD
SCIENTIST OF NAZARETH!!



Post AMERICAN

BACK PAGE
KOMIX

KEEP
SMILIN'
DIS
SUMMER